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Tosco Corp's Request for Development of Joint Review Process in Utah

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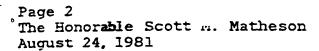
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Dear Gammor Matheson:

The passage of House Bill 267 provides an excellent opporting for the development of an expedited permitting procedure in the review and approval of energy and industrial facilities proposed in the State of Utah. Since Tosco Corporation is me embarking upon the permitting phase of its proposed Sand Wall Oil Shale Project in Uintah County, Utah, the project would be fit greatly from the coordination of permitting procedures the federal, state and local levels.

Utah tenhieve a streamlined and coordinated permitting process, and wellows this opportunity. In addition, I am personally very interest in the process. When I was President of the Institute for Societonomic Research (previously the Tosco Foundation), an independ non-profit research institute which Tosco helped found, Institute developed a model permitting process for the States Delaware and New Mexico. The goal of the effort was to streamle and coordinate the permitting process at all levels of government, while enhancing the states' planning and management capabillies with respect to environmental and socioeconomic safegura.

In the case of Delaware, the process was designed to integrate the existing statutes and regulations at the federal, state flocal level to achieve concurrent or joint agency reviews a proposed project. The process does not bypass



substantive environmental requirements at any level of government. Each agency arrives at its own final determination within the scope of existing statutory directives and on the merits of the project. Efficiencies are realized through coordination of such activities as pre-application meetings, application submittals, application reviews and public hearings, and through clearly specified permit criteria. The Joint Review Process in Colorado also embodies many of these concepts and appears to be working well. In general, the development of an expedited permitting process appears to be one of the most promising ways to achieve more cost effective regulation.

I understand that Tony Rampton, Tosco's Senior Utah Counsel and representative, has had discussions with the Office of the State Planning Coordinator regarding the possibility of developing an innovative permitting process for the State of Utah which could be applied to the Sand Wash Project on a pilot program basis. Jim Butler has indicated that funding from a Department of Emergy grant may be allocated to studying the results of such a program. Pursuant to Jim Butler's request, we are seeking your formal approval of this pilot program and an indication that the State will commit to making the program work. Upon receipt of such approval and commitment, we will assist the State Planning Coordinator in contacting the appropriate agencies to request their formal participation in the new process.

wery much appreciate this unique opportunity and look forward teparticipating with the State of Utah in the development of an expedited permit review process.

Sincerely,

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